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Applicant: Woolford Examiner: D. Taylor
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449's are brought to the attention of the Examiner.

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Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the art cited in related patents and applications including specifically:

U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 413,400 filed
September 28, 1989;

U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 413,050 filed
September 28, 1989;

U.S. Patent No. 5,062,610 issued November 13, 1991

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U.S. Patent No. 5,294,216 issued March 15, 1994; and

U.S. Patent No. 5,589,124 issued December 31, 1996.

Applicants also wish to bring to the Examiner's attention publications cited on page 47 of the Amendment and Verified Response enclosed herewith. Copies of the publications are provided.

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Applicants further bring to the attention of the Examiner other publications cited on PTO Form 1449's attached hereto; copies of these publications are provided herewith.

Finally, and in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(d), a copy of the PTO Form 1449's are provided from U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 469,765 now U.S. Patent No. 5,589,124. This patent is relied upon for priority under 35 U.S.C. §120. The documents and publications listed on these PTO Form 1449's are not provided because they were previously cited by or submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in the above-referenced patent.

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Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

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